

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
Executive Council

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Friends,

On Wednesday, the Governor & Council held its final meeting with four members, pending the swearing-in of Councilor-elect Joe Kenney to represent northern New Hampshire. Governor Hassan nominated Deputy State Treasurer Bill Dwyer to complete the term being left vacant by the departure of Treasurer Cathy Provencer.

We also approved a number of regional issues and several with statewide impact:

**IN CENTRAL NH:** Renovations at the Franklin Readiness Center; debris disposal from the Wendell Marsh in Sunapee; wastewater projects in Newbury and Sunapee; a generator for the Town of Bradford fire department; and pavement rehab on NH 106 in Loudon. Also, plans to improve safety at the NH 106/Staniels Rd intersection are advancing with construction this fall (great to see the responsiveness from NHDOT on this issue which I and others have raised this past year).

**IN MONADNOCK & WESTERN NH:** Child care training to address childhood obesity via Keene State College; and wastewater projects in Keene.

**IN STRAFFORD CO:** A hearing on proposed improvements to NH 11 in Farmington.

**STATEWIDE:** Expanding public input into the reevaluation of siting rules for energy projects; workshops on pollinator conservation; a nutrition incentive program to encourage low-income consumers to purchase local foods; better transparency into insurance and healthcare costs (3-1); investigation into ways to improve permanency and wellbeing post-adoption; and, a fix to solar panels at Manchester Airport that will reduce energy usage, harmful emissions, and energy costs for the airport (3-1).

Governor Hassan also re-nominated several state officials to an additional permanent term, including the Commissioners of Employment Security and the Dept of Resources & Economic Development, as well as the Directors of Economic Development and Parks & Recreation.

The next meeting is on March 26. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to let me know via email at [cvanostern@nh.gov](mailto:cvanostern@nh.gov) or by calling me at (603) 290-5848.

Sincerely,  
Colin  
Executive Councilor, District 2

FULL 3/12 AGENDA  
[http://sos.nh.gov/nhsos\\_content.aspx?id=53281](http://sos.nh.gov/nhsos_content.aspx?id=53281)  
(or follow the links below for documentation of each item)

## *FULL INFORMATION*

### **1. DETAIL: CENTRAL NH**

[#8](#) Authorized the Bureau of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a contract with Turnstone Corp., Milford, NH, for the Franklin Readiness Center Renovations, Franklin, NH, for a total price not to exceed \$910,265. (2) Further authorize a contingency in the amount of \$60,000 for unanticipated structural expenses for the Franklin Readiness Center Renovations, bringing the total \$970,265. (3) Further authorize the amount of \$30,000 for payment to the Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering services provided, bringing the total to \$1,000,265. Effective upon G&C approval through September 26, 2014. **50% Capital – General, 50% Federal Funds.**

[#32](#) Authorized the Dam Bureau to execute a **sole source** amendment to the agreement with United Construction Corporation, Newport, NH, for the disposal of demolition debris resulting from the reconstruction of Wendell Marsh Dam in Sunapee, by increasing the amount by \$15,000 to \$21,000 from \$6,000, and by extending the end date from December 31, 2014 to June 30, 2015. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Capital (General) Funds.**

[#37](#) Authorized to award grant aid funds to the entities as detailed in letter dated February 26, 2014, in the aggregate amount of \$3,874,532 for wastewater facility projects. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

[#46](#) Authorized the Division of Career Technology and Adult Learning to enter into a contract with America's Youth Teenage Unemployment Reduction Network, Brockton, MA, to provide youth services, employment, and training in 2 communities in the State of NH (Nashua and Laconia) in an amount not to exceed \$250,986. (2) Further Authorized to make advanced monthly payments for services provided. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2015, with the authority to adjust encumbrances in each of the State Fiscal years. **100% Other Funds.**

[#52](#) Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Bradford, to purchase and install a generator at the community's Fire Department for a total amount of \$18,810. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#63](#) Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Pike Industries Inc., Belmont, NH, for pavement rehabilitation on 4.6 miles of NH 106 in the Town of Loudon, on the basis of a low bid of \$1,020,945.95. (2) Further Authorized a contingency in the amount of \$51,047.30 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through August 15, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

### **2. DETAIL: MONADNOCK REGION**

[#22](#) Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Keene State College, Keene, NH, to provide Child Care Health Consultation and Training to child care centers in NH to address childhood obesity, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#36](#) Authorized to award grant aid funds to the entities as detailed in letter dated February 26, 2014, in the aggregate amount of \$2,157,997 for wastewater facility projects. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

### **3. DETAIL: STRAFFORD COUNTY**

[#61](#) Authorized the Bureau of Right of Way's Petition for a hearing on the proposed improvements to NH 11 in the town of Farmington and to appoint a commission, and, if the necessity is found, to layout the new highway at this location, with a suggested budget of 3,690.24.

#### **4. STATEWIDE PROJECTS AND POLICIES**

##### OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING

[#4](#) Authorized to amend a contract with Navigant Consulting Inc., Burlington, MA (originally approved by G&C on 12-4-13, item #3), to assist with a public process to inform the development of energy sitting rules, by increasing the amount by \$50,000 from \$198,495 to \$248,495. Effective March 12, 2014 through October 31, 2014. **100% Other Funds (PUC – Renewable Energy Fund).**

[#10](#) Authorized to enter into an agreement with the NH Association of Conservation Districts, Concord, NH, to establish demonstration sites and conduct education workshops, statewide, on strategies to promote pollinator conservation in NH, in the amount of \$35,000. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2015. **100% Federal Funds – Specialty Crop Block Grant.**

[#12](#) Authorized to enter into an agreement with the Organization for Refugee and Immigrant Success, Manchester, NH, to develop a nutrition incentive program targeted toward low income consumers to encourage them to purchase and utilize locally produced foods with their federal food benefits, in the amount of \$11,913. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2015. **100% Federal Funds – Specialty Crop Block Grant.**

[#16](#) Authorized to enter into a contract with Wakely Consulting Group, Englewood, CO, for the provision of consulting services to update and/or redevelop a macroeconomic model of the NH insurance marketplace for the purpose of understanding the impact of market shifts on premium rates, market distributions, and market stability, in the amount of \$104,930. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2014. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#17](#) Authorized to accept and expend federal grant funds in the amount of \$2,048,237 for FY 2014 & FY 2015 from the US Department of Health and Human Services for continued implementation of plan management partnership operations during calendar year 2014, and for exploring continuity of coverage options. (2) Further Authorized to establish a Class 046 (Consultants) to enter into contracts for consulting services with various vendors. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2014. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on March 10, 2014.**

[#18](#) Authorized to enter into a contract with Public Consulting Group Inc., Boston, MA, for consulting services for the purpose of providing technical assistance, training, planning, and additional production capacity to support plan management activities related to the NH marketplace, in the amount of \$525,920. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2014. **Contingent upon approval of funding by both Fiscal Committee on March 10, 2014 and G&C on March 12, 2014.**

[#21](#) Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** agreement with the Trustees of Dartmouth College, Dartmouth College, Office of Sponsored Projects, Hanover, NH, to improve permanency and wellbeing outcomes for children adopted through the Department, in an amount not to exceed \$2,156,447. Effective October 1, 2013 through January 1, 2019. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon approval of funding by both Fiscal Committee on March 21, 2014 and G&C on March 12, 2014.**

[#54](#) Authorized to **retroactively** amend a grant to the City of Manchester (originally approved by G&C on 11-9-11, item #121), to realign the solar photovoltaic facilities that were originally constructed as part of this grant at

the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, by increasing the amount from \$3,341,589 to \$3,842,827, an increase of \$501,238. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2017. **100% Federal Funds.**

## **5. DETAIL: APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS**

( \* = District 2 Resident)

### **New Nominations by Governor Hassan:**

#### **Agricultural Advisory Board**

Mae Burnap, Strafford, NH\*

#### **Air Resources Council**

Georgia Murray, Conway, NH

#### **Commissioner of New Hampshire Employment Security**

George N. Copadis, Manchester, NH

#### **State Board of Fire Control**

Floyd W. Hayes, Bedford, NH

#### **Board of Foresters**

Charles W. Thompson, Wilmot, NH

#### **Division of Higher Education**

Stephen B. Jones, West Chesterfield, NH\*

#### **Judicial Council**

Henry P. Mock, Jackson, NH

Daniel E. Will, Loudon, NH

#### **Personnel Appeals Board**

Karen A. Levchuk, Concord, NH\*

#### **Pesticides Control Board**

Anne D. Krantz, Amherst, NH

#### **Poet Laureate**

Alice B. Fogel, Acworth, NH\*

#### **Commission of the Department of Resources and Economic Development**

Jeffrey J. Rose, Manchester, NH

#### **Director of the Division of Economic Development at the Department of Resources and Economic Development**

Carmen R. Lorentz, Belmont, NH\*

#### **Director of the Division of Parks and Recreation at the Department of Resources and Economic Development**

Philip A. Bryce, Deering, NH

#### **Telecommunications Planning and Development Advisory Committee**

Maura M. Weston, Concord, NH\*

#### **Commissioner of the Treasury**

William F. Dwyer, Gilford, NH

### **Confirmed by the Council:**

#### **Board of Architects**

Sonya L. Misiaszek-Monterose, Laconia, NH

#### **Artist Laureate**

Rodney Miller, Antrim, NH

#### **Board of Chiropractic Examiners**

John H. Merrick, Bedford, NH

#### **Compensation Appeals Board**

Joseph A. Dickinson, Concord, NH\*

#### **Enhanced 911 Commission**

James S. Valiquet, Newbury, NH\*

**Fire Standards and Training Commission**

Kevin Pratt, Raymond, NH

**Joint Promotional Program Screening Committee**

Nancy Clark, Intervale, NH

**Juvenile Parole Board**

Susan Kelly, Manchester, NH

Leonard J. Wetherbee, Center Ossipee, NH

**New England Board of Higher Education**

Thomas R. Horgan, Amherst, NH

Michele D. Perkins, Henniker, NH\*

Andrew R. Peterson, Peterborough, NH

**Ports and Harbors Advisory Council**

Christopher D. Holt, Stratham, NH

**Public Employee Labor Relations Board**

Glenn Brackett, Northwood, NH

Michele E. Kenney, Portsmouth, NH

**Special Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission**

Michael J. Iacopino, Manchester, NH

**Residential Ratepayers Advisory Board**

Richard Weaver, Gilford, NH

**Rivers Management Advisory Committee**

Alan Larter, Franklin, NH\*

**Traffic Safety Commission**

Real R. Pinard, Manchester, NH

**Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Transportation**

Patrick K. McKenna, Gilford, NH

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